GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Augmentation of Research
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to identify the needs of the country in terms of its research and technology requirements in various fields including health and environment;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government has made any effort for augmentation of research in the said fields;
(d) if so, the details thereof;
(e) whether the Government has seen any progress so far in this regard; and
(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (f) Yes Madam. Government has launched a new initiative named 'IMPacting Research Innovation & technology (IMPRINT)' laying down a roadmap for research to solve socially relevant engineering and technology challenges in ten technology domains, each of which is coordinated by a premier institution as given below:
1. Health care: IIT Kharagpur
2. Computer Science and ICT: IIT Kharagpur
3. Advance Materials: IIT Kanpur
4. Water Resources and River systems: IIT Kanpur
5. Sustainable Urban Design: IIT Roorkee
6. Defense: IIT Madras
7. Manufacturing: IIT Madras
8. Nano-technology Hardware: IIT Bombay
9. Environmental Science and Climate Change: IISc, Bangalore
10. Energy Security: IIT Bombay

Efforts are being made to allocate resources to fund research in collaboration with the relevant departments of Government of India. The progress in this regard can be assessed over the next 5 years.

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